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PATENT APPLICATION EXAMINING OPERATIONS

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Serial No.: 09/642,390                      Examiner: Bagwell, M.  
Filed : August 18, 2000  
Title : EXPANDED POROUS THERMOPLASTIC POLYMER MEMBRANES  
AND METHOD AND DEVICE FOR THE PRODUCTION  
THEREOF



PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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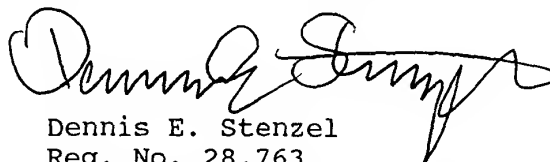
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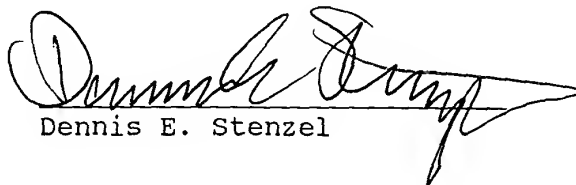


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